

## **AGENDA**

**Post 2006 Initiative  
Energy Assistance Working Group  
Illinois Commerce Commission Offices  
160 N. LaSalle Street, Main Hearing Room-8<sup>th</sup> Floor  
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
July 9, 2004**

- I. Introduction**
  - A. Welcome/Attendance log
  - B. Anti-Trust Guidelines
  - C. Progress Report from June 25 meeting
  
- II. FINAL LIST Question No. 90 – How should state energy assistance programs be provided for low-income customers who cannot afford to pay just and reasonable rates?**
  - A. Follow up discussion on two additional points raised at June 25 meeting:
    - 1. Codification of special reconnection arrangements
    - 2. Year-round energy assistance program
  - B. Follow up discussion on earlier questions within this Final List Question
  
- III. FINAL LIST Question No. 91 – Is the current surcharge level adequate for energy assistance?**
  - A. Is there consensus that the surcharge should at the least be maintained at the current level?
  - B. Discussion on other options
  
- IV. FINAL LIST Question No. 92 – Are there other regulatory and/or legislative mechanisms that should be considered?**
  
- V. Discussion on additional questions posed by co-conveners: “What, if any, will be the effect on state energy assistance programs of the method or methods of procuring power used in the Post 2006 energy environment?”**
  - A. If Illinois chooses a form of auction or RFP power procurement methodology, how will such a choice affect the state’s energy assistance program?
  - B. Does such a choice present an opportunity for finding new ways to deliver and/or fund energy assistance programs?
  - C. Are energy assistance program changes needed if an alternative supplier serves the power & energy portion of a qualifying customer while the delivery services are provided by the distribution utility (how do Nicor & Peoples residential gas transport programs handle these situations?)

**VI. Process Issues**

- A. Our charge is to attempt to reach consensus on as many items as possible and to at least identify the competing options or choices in those areas where we cannot reach consensus
- B. How should we proceed in terms of preparing our final working group report?

**VII. Miscellaneous Items**

**VIII. Next Meetings**

- A. July 16 – Nicor/Bloomington – address & directions, starting time
- B. Any need for July 30 meeting?
- C. August 6 in Chicago – 11 a.m.
- D. Scheduling of further meetings

**IX. Adjournment**

**Please note that a telephone conference call hook up will be available from the ICC's Springfield offices for participants wishing to monitor this meeting. Beth Bosch is the ICC contact for more details.**